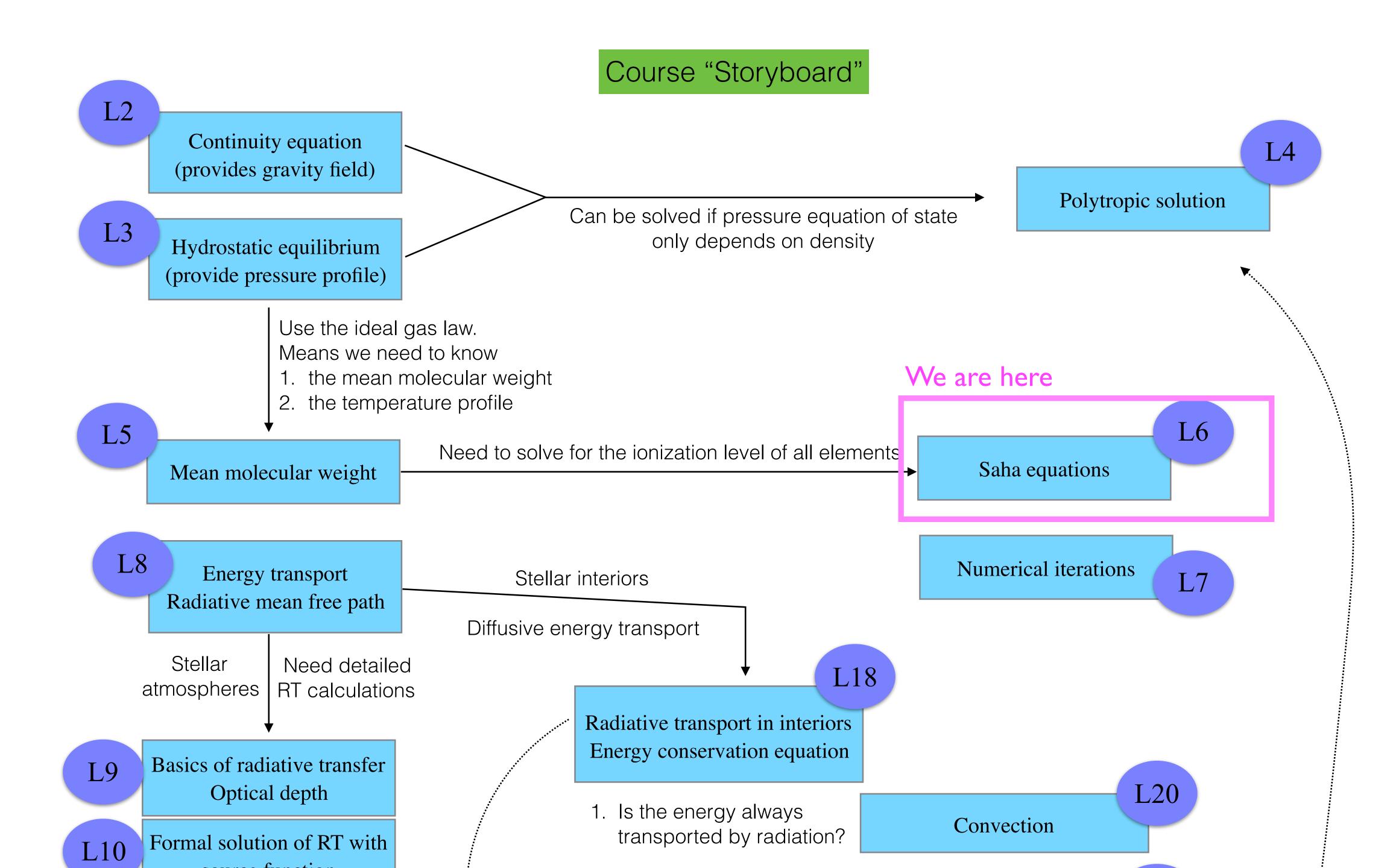
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Continuity equation

Hydrostatic equilibrium

$$\frac{dM_r(r)}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r)$$

We assume: Initial comp: X_i

$$\frac{dP(r)}{dr} = -\rho(r) \frac{GM_r(r)}{r^2}$$

$$P(r) = \frac{\rho(r)}{\mu(r)m_H} kT(r)$$

Mean molecular weight

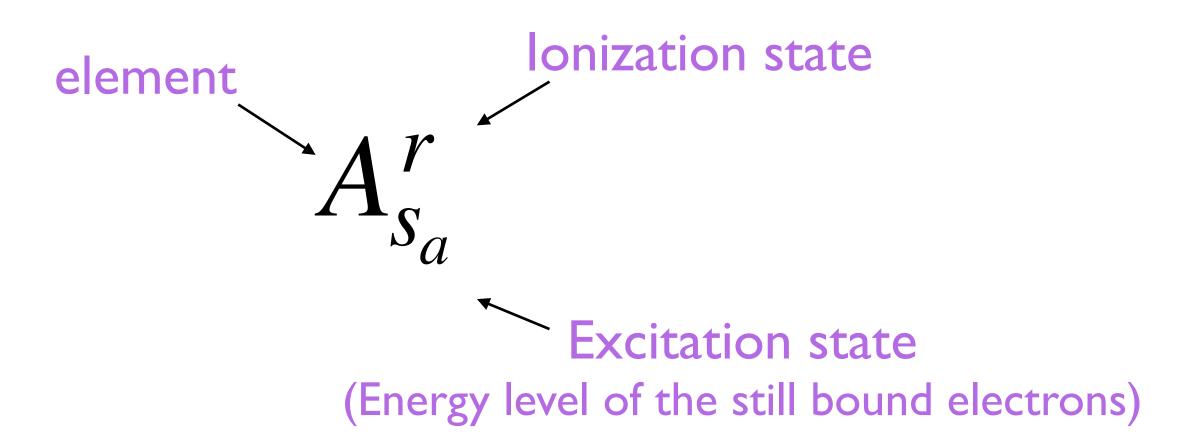
$$\mu(r) = f(\text{comp}, T(r), P(r))$$

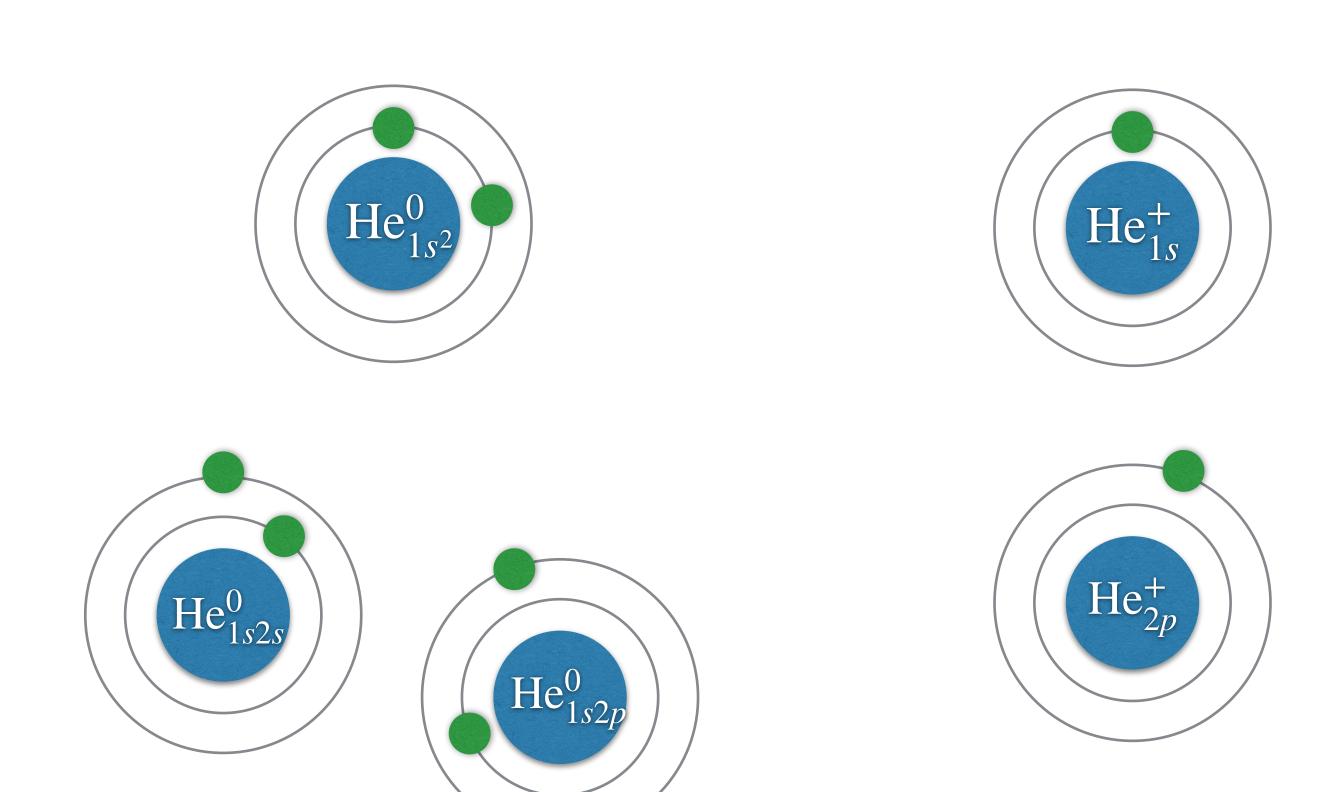
$$\frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu_{\text{ion}}} + \frac{1}{\mu_{\text{e}}}$$

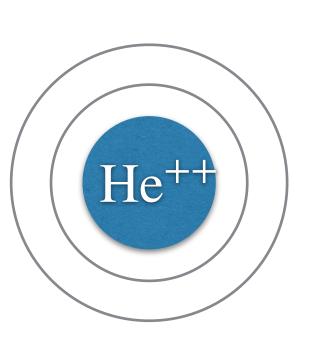
$$\frac{1}{\mu_{\text{ion}}} = \sum_{i} \frac{X_i}{A_i} \qquad \frac{1}{\mu_{\text{e}}} = \sum_{i} \frac{X_i}{A_i} Z_i \quad y_i$$

$$\mu \qquad \mu_{\text{ion}}$$

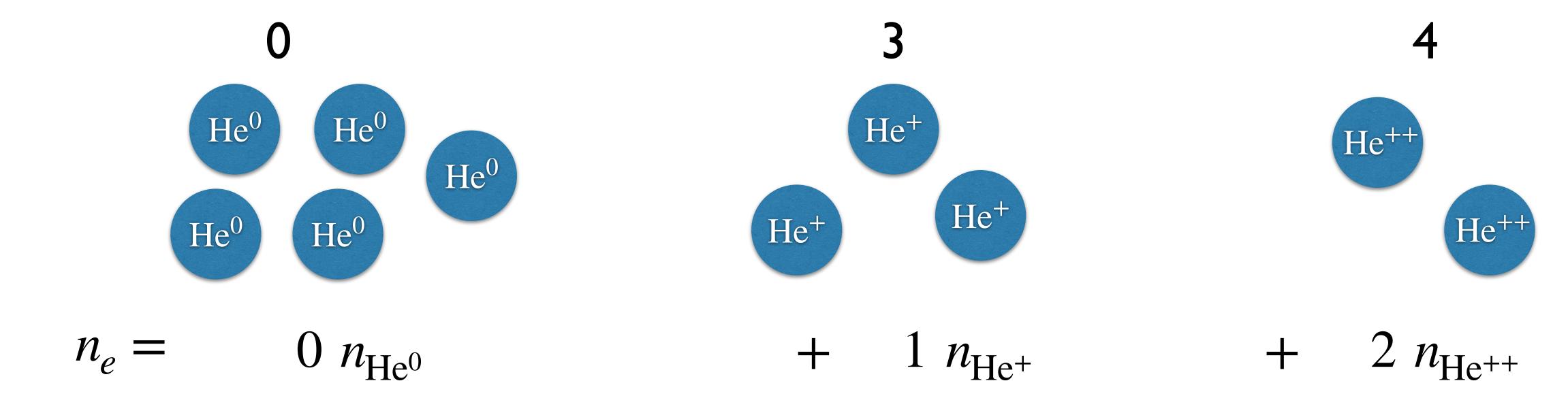
$$1 \qquad \qquad X_i$$







How many free electrons are there?



What if they were all ionized?

$$n_{e \text{ all ionized}} = 10 = 2 n_{He} = Z_{He} n_{He}$$

So:

$$y_i = \frac{\text{\# of free electrons/volume}}{\text{\# of free electron if all ionized/volume}} = \frac{1}{Z_i} \left[1 \frac{n_{\text{He}^+}}{n_{\text{He}}} + 2 \frac{n_{\text{He}^{++}}}{n_{\text{He}}} \right]$$

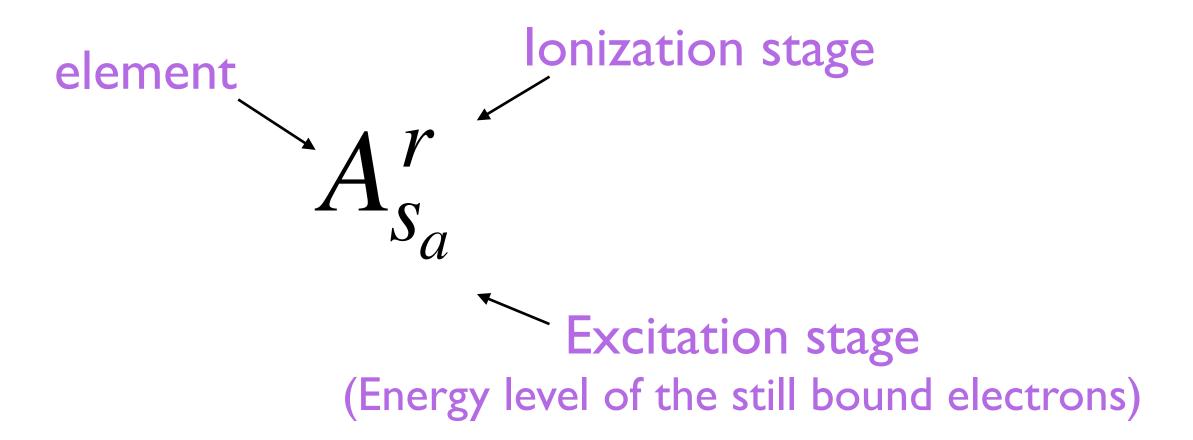
We need to use the ideal gas law
$$\rightarrow$$
 We need to calculate μ

$$P(r) = \frac{\rho(r)}{\mu(r)m_H} kT(r) \qquad \qquad \mu(r) = f(\text{comp}, T(r), P(r)) \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{\mu_e} = \sum_i \frac{X_i}{A_i} Z_i \quad y_i$$

We need to know all of the $\frac{n_A^r}{n_A}$

We need to know y_i

Goal: find
$$\frac{n_{
m H}^r}{n_{
m A}}$$
 \longleftarrow $\frac{n_{
m H}^o}{n_{
m H}}$ $\frac{n_{
m He}^+}{n_{
m He}}$ $\frac{n_{
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A single ionization 'reaction'

A certain amount of

$$A^r_{s_a} + \mathrm{energy} \Longleftrightarrow A^{r+1}_{s_b} + e^-$$

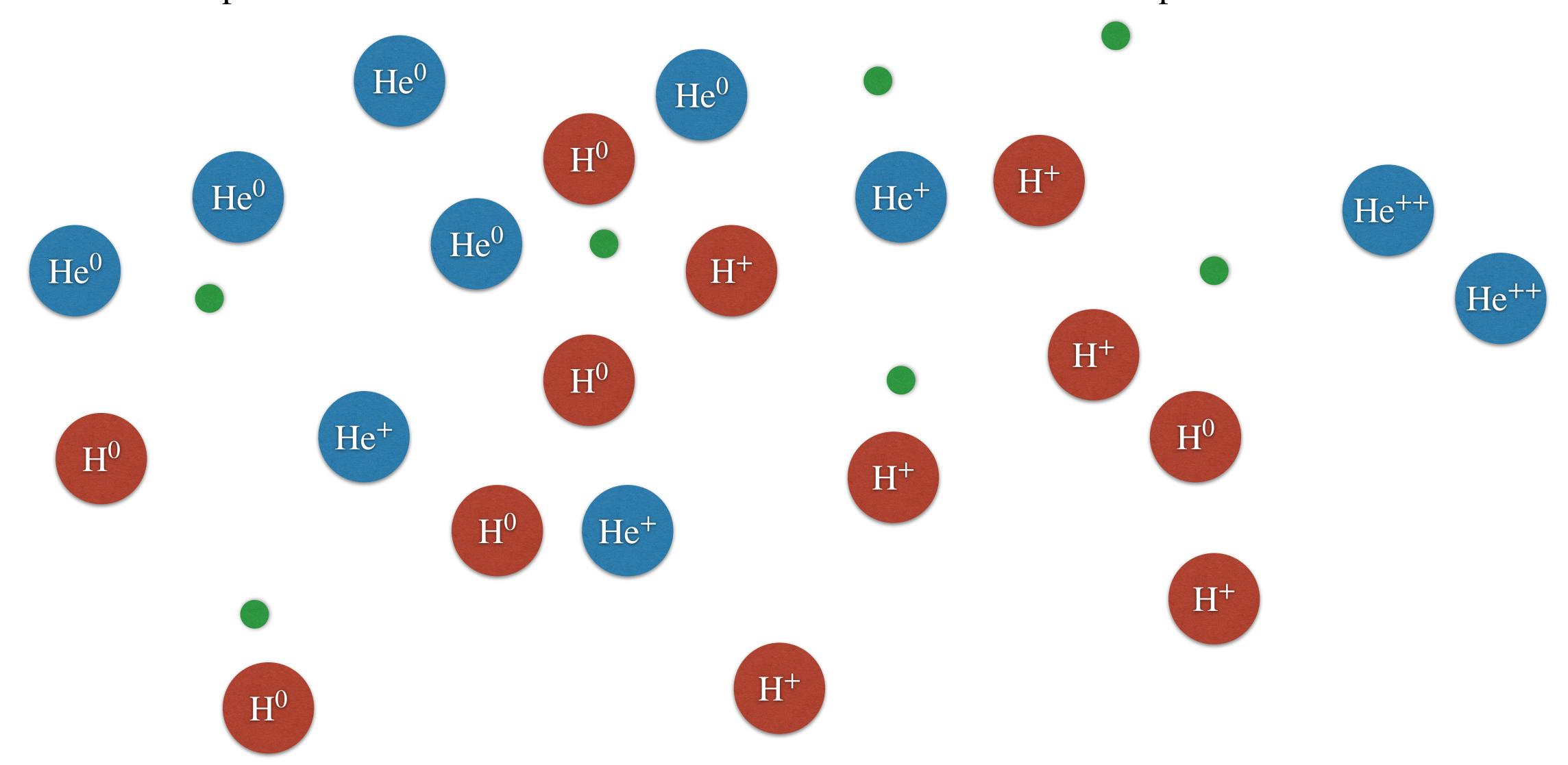
[Im free!!!]

Remaining electrons are not necessarily

in the original configuration...

Statistical mechanics:

If we have a large amount of particles, and the energy exchanges are mostly caused by collisions, then the number of particles in each ionization/excitation state can be related to temperature



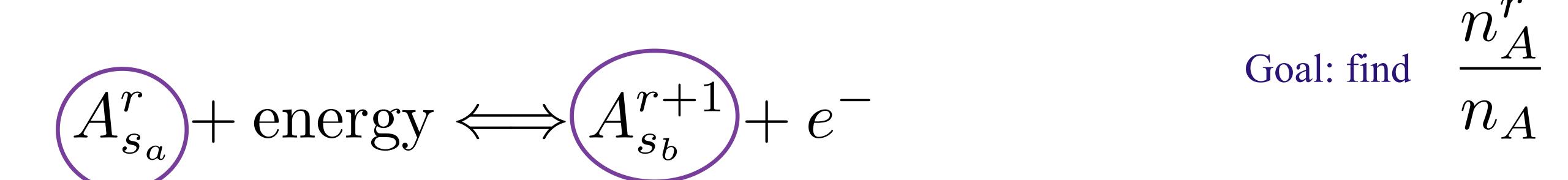
$$A_{s_a}^r + \text{energy} \iff A_{s_b}^{r+1} + e^{-1}$$

$$H_{1s}^{o} + \text{energy} \iff H^{+} + e^{-}$$
 $H_{2s}^{o} + \text{energy} \iff H^{+} + e^{-}$
 $He_{1s^{2}}^{o} + \text{energy} \iff He_{1s}^{+} + e^{-}$
 $He_{1s2s}^{o} + \text{energy} \iff He_{1s}^{+} + e^{-}$
 $He_{1s2p}^{o} + \text{energy} \iff He_{2p}^{+} + e^{-}$

Same "pool" of free electrons

This is a problem where all of the equations are coupled.

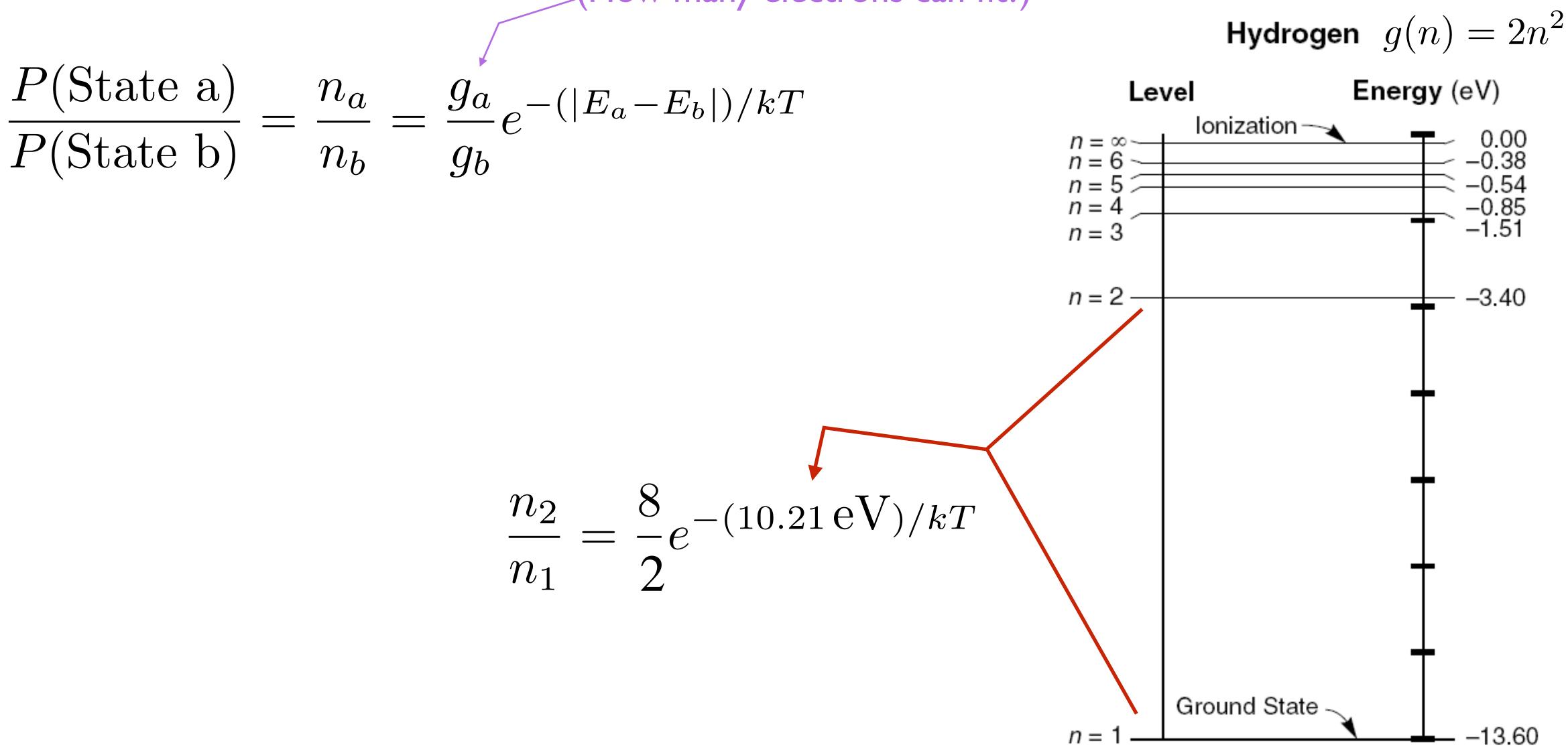
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Step 1: relate the internal excitation states of each ionization states

Boltzmann factor

"Multiplicity" of an energy level (How many electrons can fit?)



Energy Levels for the Hydrogen Atom

For a given ionization state (e.g. H^o):

As a function of

An excited state $n_s = \frac{g_s}{g_o} e^{-\epsilon_s/kT}$ state "s" $n_s = \frac{n_o}{g_s} e^{-\epsilon_s/kT}$ An excited state "s"

The ground state

$$n = n_o + n_1 + n_2 + \dots$$

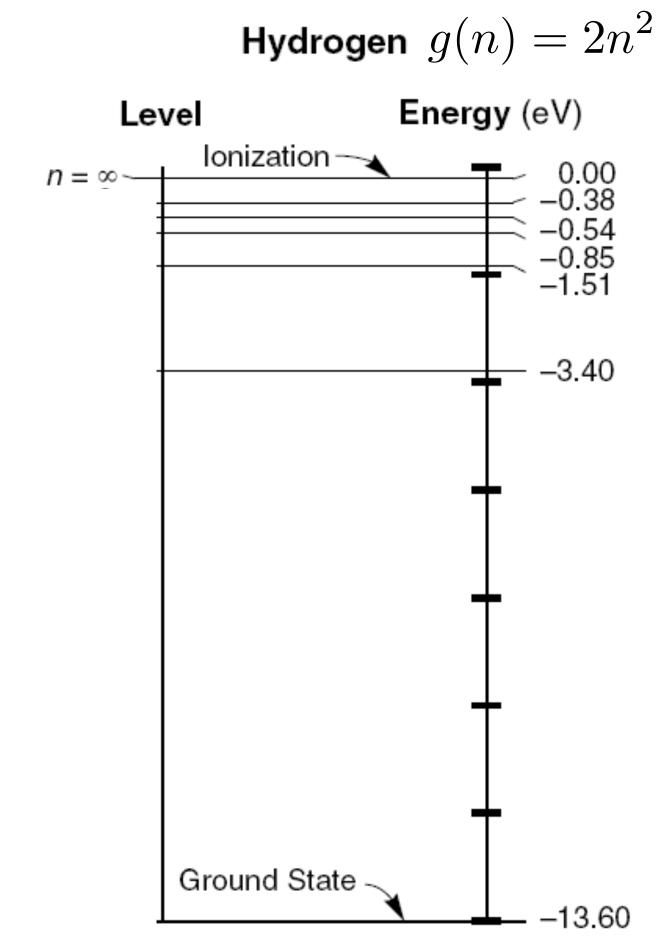
$$n = \sum_{s} n_{s} = \frac{n_{o}}{g_{o}} g_{0} e^{-\epsilon_{o}/kT} + \frac{n_{o}}{g_{o}} g_{1} e^{-\epsilon_{1}/kT} + \frac{n_{o}}{g_{o}} g_{2} e^{-\epsilon_{2}/kT} + \dots$$

$$n = \frac{n_o}{g_o} \sum_{s} g_s e^{-\epsilon_s/kT}$$

$$n^r = \frac{n_o^r}{g_o^r} \quad U^r(T, s_{\text{max}})$$

"Partition function" If we know the structure of the atom, we can calculate it

There is a relation between the total population of a given ionization state (e.g H^{o}) and the population of that ion's ground state (e.g. H_o^0)



Energy Levels for the Hydrogen Atom

$$(A_{s_a}^r)$$
 + energy \iff $(A_{s_b}^{r+1})$ + e^-

Goal: find
$$\frac{n_A^r}{n_A}$$

1b
$$n^{r+1} = \frac{n_o^{r+1}}{r+1} U^{r+1}(T)$$
 (e.g. H⁺):

$$n^r$$
 n^{r+1}

$$\begin{bmatrix} n_o^r \\ n_o \end{bmatrix}$$

(Until we reach the completely ionized state)

Step 2: now the idea will be to relate the population of the ground stares of both ionization states together.

Let's consider the ionization reactions from ground state to ground state:

Goal: find
$$\frac{n_A^r}{m_A}$$

$$A_o^r + \text{energy} \iff A_o^{r+1} + e^-$$

$$\chi_r^{r+1} + \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e}$$

$$\frac{P(\text{State a})}{P(\text{State b})} = \frac{n_a}{n_b} = \frac{g_a}{g_b} e^{-(\chi_r^{r+1} + \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e})/kT}$$

$$\frac{n_A^r}{}$$

Goal: find

$$A_o^r + \text{energy} \iff A_o^{r+1} + e^-$$

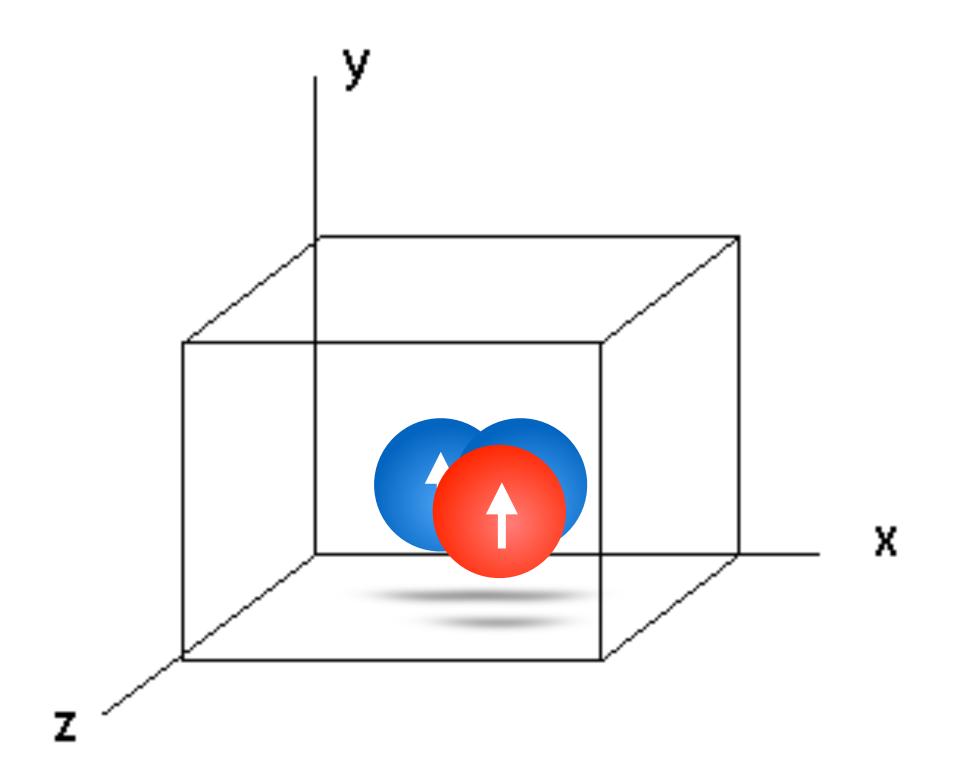
State b

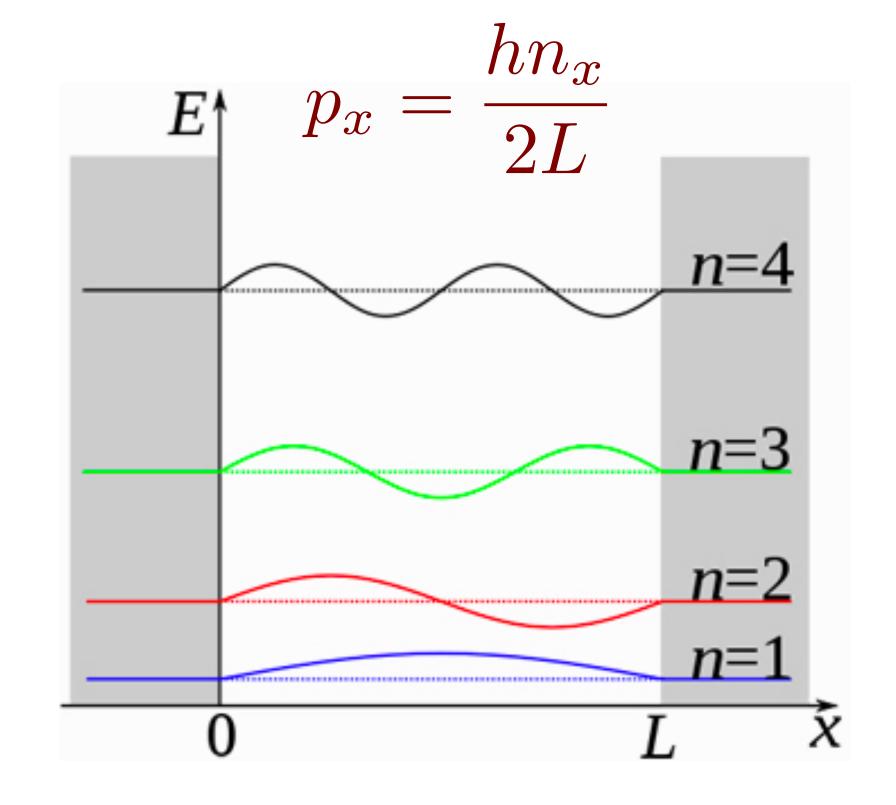
$$g_b = g_o^r$$

State a :includes the state of the free electron!

$$g_a = g_o^{r+1} g_e$$
 What is the multiplicity of the electron?

$$\frac{P(\text{State a})}{P(\text{State b})} = \frac{n_a}{n_b} = \frac{g_a}{g_b} e^{-(\chi_r^{r+1} + \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e})/kT}$$





$$\Delta p_x \Delta x \sim h$$

$$\Delta p_y \Delta y \sim h$$

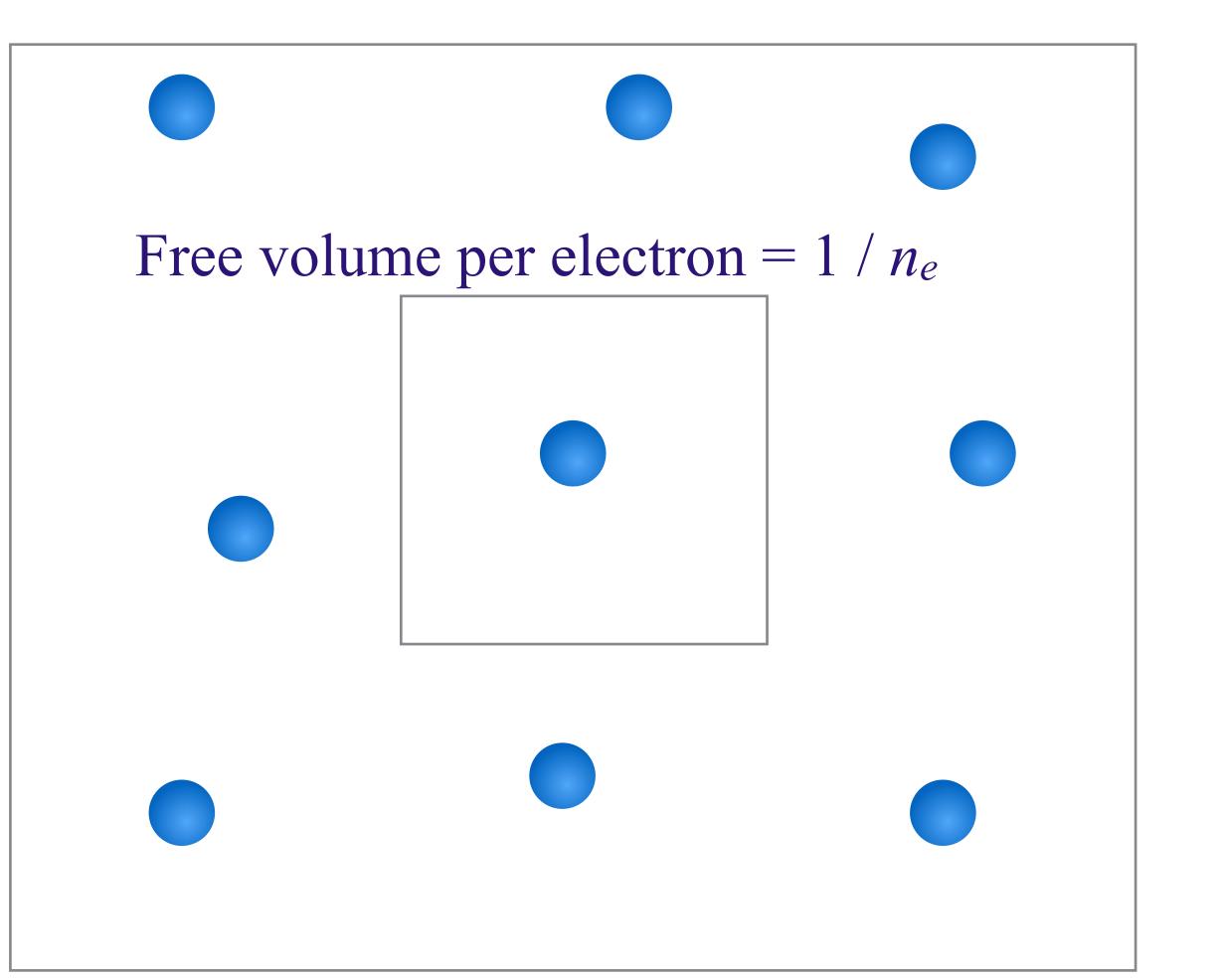
$$\Delta p_z \Delta z \sim h$$

Free electron "personal" space:

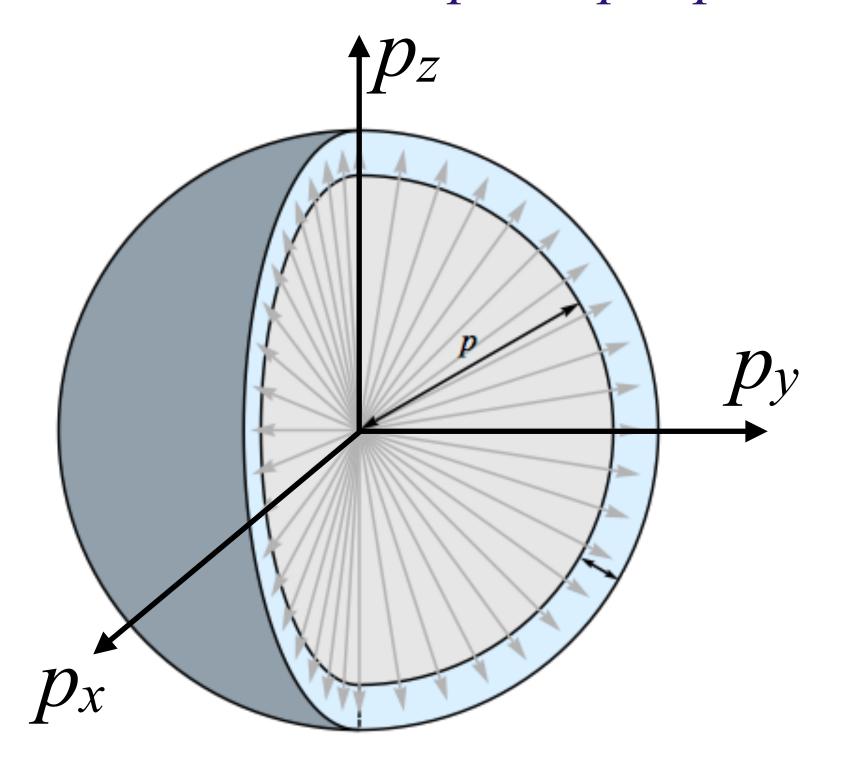
$$\delta V \delta p_x \delta p_y \delta p_z = h^3$$

Multiplicity of an electron with momentum between p and p+dp

$$dg_e = 2 \, {{\rm Total \ volume \ * \ Total \ "momentum \ volume"} \over {\rm Free \ electron \ "personal" \ space \ (h^3)}} \, = 2 {{4\pi p^2 dp} \over {n_e h^3}}$$



"Momentum volume" for an electron with momentum between p and $p+dp=4\pi p^2dp$.



$$\frac{n_b}{n_a} = \frac{g_o^{r+1} g_e}{g_o^r} e^{-(\chi_r^{r+1} + \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e})/kT} dg_e = \frac{8\pi}{n_e h^3} p_e^2 dp_e$$

$$\frac{n_b}{n_a} = \int_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{g_o^{r+1}}{g_o^r} e^{-(\chi_r^{r+1} + \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e})/kT} \frac{8\pi}{n_e h^3} p_e^2 dp_e$$

$$\frac{n_b}{n_a} = \frac{g_o^{r+1}}{g_o^r} \frac{2(2\pi m_e kT)^{3/2}}{n_e h^3} e^{-\chi_r^{r+1}/kT}$$

$$\frac{n_b}{n_a}n_e = \frac{g_o^{r+1}}{g_o^r} \frac{2(2\pi m_e kT)^{3/2}}{h^3} e^{-\chi_r^{r+1}/kT}$$

Change of variable

$$x^2 = \frac{p_e^2}{2m_e kT}$$

$$A_{s_a}^r + \text{energy} \iff A_{s_b}^{r+1} + e^{-1}$$

Goal: find
$$\frac{n_A}{n_A}$$

$$n^r = \frac{n_o^r}{g_o^r} U^r(T)$$

$$n^{r+1} = \frac{n_o^{r+1}}{g_o^{r+1}} U^{r+1}(T)$$

$$\frac{n_o^{r+1}}{n_o^r} n_e = \frac{g_o^{r+1}}{g_o^r} \frac{2(2\pi m_e kT)^{3/2}}{h^3} e^{-\chi_r/kT}$$

Unknowns:

$$n^r$$
 n^{r+1}

$$\begin{bmatrix} n_o^r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n_o^{r+1} \end{bmatrix}$$



In equation 3, substitute the ground state population for the total population with eps 1 and 2

$$P_e = T^{5/2}e^{-\chi_r/kT} \frac{U^{r+1}(T)}{U^r(T)} \frac{2(2\pi m_e)^{3/2}k^{5/2}}{h^3}$$

$$P_e = T^{5/2}e^{-\chi_r/kT} \frac{U^{r+1}(T)}{U^r(T)} \frac{2(2\pi m_e)^{3/2}k^{5/2}}{h^3}$$

Relate this "electron pressure" to the total gas pressure

$$P_{\text{total}} = n_{\text{free}} kT$$

$$= (n_{\text{ion}} + n_e) kT n_e$$

$$= \frac{(n_{\text{ions}} + n_e)}{n_e} P_e$$

$$= \frac{E}{1 + E} P_{\text{tot}}$$

$$K_r^{r+1}(T, P)$$

$$\frac{n^{r+1/n_{\text{ion}}} E}{n^{r/n_{\text{ion}}} 1 + E} = \frac{T^{5/2}}{P_{\text{gas,tot}}} e^{-\chi_r/kT} \frac{U^{r+1}(T, P)}{U^r(T, P)} \frac{2(2\pi m_e)^{3/2} k^{5/2}}{h^3}$$

Saha for a known P and T

For each element in the gas mixture:

$$\frac{x^{r+1}}{x^r} \frac{E}{1+E} = K_r^{r+1}(T, P)$$

$$\sum_{r} x^{r} = 1$$

$$K_r^{r+1}(T,P) = \frac{T^{5/2}}{P_{\text{gas,tot}}} e^{-\chi_r/kT} \frac{U^{r+1}(T,P)}{U^r(T,P)} \frac{2(2\pi m_e)^{3/2} k^{5/2}}{h^3}$$

$$x^r = \frac{n_{\text{ion}}^r}{n_{\text{ion}}}$$
 $U^r(T, P)$: Partition function

$$E = \frac{n_e}{n_{\mathrm{ions}}}$$
 Number of free electron per ion

Unknowns:

$$x^r$$
 x^{r+1} ...

E

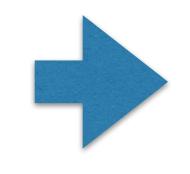
Charge conservation:

How does E relates to all the x^r (of all elements)?

Saha for a known *P* and *T* for pure Hydrogen
$$K_r^{r+1}(T,P) = \frac{T^{5/2}}{P_{\text{gas,tot}}} e^{-\chi_r/kT} \frac{U^{r+1}(T,P)}{U^r(T,P)} \frac{2(2\pi m_e)^{3/2} k^{5/2}}{h^3}$$

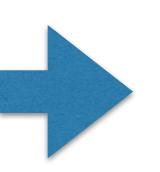
For each element in the gas mixture:

$$\frac{x^{r+1}}{x^r} \frac{E}{1+E} = K_r^{r+1}(T, P) \qquad \frac{x_H^+ E}{x_H^o 1+E} = K_o^+(T, P)$$



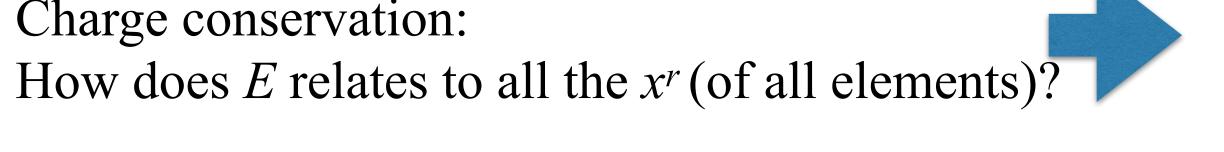
$$\frac{x_{\rm H}^{+}}{x_{\rm H}^{o}} = K_o^{+}(T, P)$$

$$\sum_{r} x^{r} = 1$$



$$x_{\rm H}^+ + x_{\rm H}^o = 1$$

Charge conservation:





$$E = x_{\mathrm{H}}^+$$

$$E = \frac{n_e}{n_{\rm ions}}$$

Solve for *E*:
$$E = \left(\frac{K_o^+}{K_o^+ + 1}\right)^{1/2}$$